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Sir:

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO DECEMBER 21, 2005 OFFICE ACTION AND PETITION FOR ONE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

This Amendment is submitted in response to a December 21, 2005 Office Action issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified application. A response to the December 21, 2005 Office Action was originally due March 21, 2006. Applicants hereby petition for a one-month extension of time. Applicants have previously established small entity status and such status is still applicable. The required fee for a one-month extension of time for a small entity is SIXTY DOLLARS (\$60.00) and a check which includes this amount is enclosed. A response to the December 21, 2005 Office Action is now due April 21, 2006. Accordingly, this Amendment is being timely filed.

Please amend the subject application as follows: